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(As Amended by House Amendment Schedule "A")

"AN ACT CONCERNING THE DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION OF RENTAL HOUSING PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS."

- 1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
- 2 internal references accordingly:
- 3 "Sec. 501. Subsection (a) of section 8-44 of the general statutes is
- 4 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 5 October 1, 2015):
- 6 (a) An authority shall constitute a public body corporate and politic,
- 7 exercising public powers and having all the powers necessary or
- 8 convenient to carry out the purposes and provisions of this chapter,
- 9 including the following enumerated powers in addition to others
- 10 granted by any provision of the general statutes: (1) To sue and be
- sued; to have a seal and to alter the same at pleasure; to have perpetual
- 12 succession; to make and execute contracts and other instruments
- 13 necessary or convenient to the exercise of the powers of the authority;

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and to make and from time to time amend and repeal bylaws, rules and regulations not inconsistent with this chapter to carry into effect the powers and purposes of the authority; (2) within its area of operation, to prepare, carry out, acquire, lease and operate housing projects, and to maintain a waiting list for families seeking housing based on the date and time the authority received such family's housing application, and to provide for the construction, reconstruction, improvement, alteration or repair of any housing project or any part thereof either directly or in the form of loans or other similar assistance to developers, all such housing projects where families with children are eligible for occupancy to contain reasonably adequate outdoor playground areas; (3) to arrange or contract for the furnishing by any person or agency, public or private, of services, privileges, works or facilities for, or in connection with, a housing project or the occupants thereof; (4) to demise any dwellings, houses, accommodations, lands, buildings, structures or facilities embraced in any housing project and, subject to the limitations contained in this chapter, to establish and revise the rents or charges therefor; to own, hold and improve real or personal property; to purchase, lease, obtain options upon or acquire, by gift, grant, bequest, devise or otherwise, any real or personal property or any interest therein, provided no real property or interest therein shall be acquired for the site of a proposed housing project until the housing authority has held a public hearing concerning such site, notice of which has been published in the form of a legal advertisement in a newspaper having a substantial circulation in the municipality at least twice at intervals of not less than two days, the first not more than fifteen or less than ten days, and the last not less than two days, before such hearing; to insure or provide for the insurance of any real or personal property or operations of the authority against any risks or hazards; to procure insurance or guarantees from the federal government of the payment of any debts or parts thereof, whether or not incurred by such authority, secured by mortgages on any property included in any of its housing projects; (5) to invest any funds held in reserves or sinking funds, or any funds not required for immediate disbursements, in investments legal for mutual

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savings banks, provided that the provisions of subdivision (2) of subsection (n) of section 36-96 shall not be applicable to any such investment, and to purchase its bonds at a price not more than the principal amount thereof and accrued interest, all bonds so purchased to be cancelled; (6) within its area of operation, to investigate living, dwelling and housing conditions and the means and methods of improving such conditions; to determine where slum areas exist or where there is a shortage of decent, safe and sanitary dwelling accommodations for families of low and moderate income; to make studies and recommendations relating to the problem of clearing, replanning and reconstructing slum areas, and the problem of providing dwelling accommodations for families of low and moderate income, and to cooperate with the municipality or the state or any political subdivision thereof in action taken in connection with such problems; (7) to promote the creation and preservation of housing for low and moderate income persons and families, either directly or through an agency or instrumentality designated or appointed by the authority, by lending or otherwise making available to developers the proceeds from the sale of obligations which are tax-exempt pursuant to the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as from time to time amended, or Section 11(b) of the United States Housing Act of 1937, as amended, or any successor provisions amendatory or supplementary thereto, provided no such obligations or other notes or securities issued by any agency or instrumentality designated or approved by the authority pursuant to the provisions of this subdivision, shall create or imply any indebtedness of any kind on the part of the housing authority, the state, or any political subdivision thereof; and (8) to exercise all or any part or combination of powers herein granted. No provision of law with respect to the operation or disposition of property by other public bodies shall be applicable to an authority unless the General Assembly specifically so states."

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This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Sec. 501 October 1, 2015 8-44(a)